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In re Application of

David Clarke, et al

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

Prior to examination of the above referenced application and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the claims as follows:

Cancel claims 1 through 12.

Insert new claims 13 through 24.

13. A photographic element comprising at least one silver halide emulsion layer having associated therewith a phenolic cyan dye-forming coupler of formula (I)

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